

**TRAVANCORE DEVASWOM BOARD**

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**FINAL NOTIFICATION**

ROC No. 245/09/Est.-1.

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In exercise of the powers conferred under sub section 2 (e) of section 35 of the Travancore Cochin Hindu Religious Institutions Act 1950 (Act XV of 1950) the Travancore Devaswom Board hereby makes the following Rules, published in draft in Gazette No. 12 dated 24-3-2015 for any objection and suggestion within one month. As no objection or suggestion has not been received within the time limits, these Rules are hereby published as final.

**I. Short title and commencement:**

1. These Rules shall be called "Travancore Devaswom Board Reservation of vacancies for temple employees to the posts of Devaswom Guard and IIIrd Grade Overseer Rules 2014".
2. These Rules shall come into force from the date of final publication of notification in the Government Gazette.

**II. Definition:**

In these Rules unless the context otherwise requires.

- a. "Board" means Travancore Devaswom Board.
- b. "Temple employees" for the purpose of these Rules means and include all full time temple employees other than 'karanma' or hereditary employees.

**III. Qualification:**

The temple employee to get appointment under these Rules shall possess the qualification prescribed for the post to which he or she is considering for appointment.

**IV. Reservation of vacancies:**

35% of the vacancies arising in each calendar year in the cadre of IIIrd Grade Overseer and Devaswom Guard under the Board shall be reserved to be filled up by appointment under these Rules from qualified temple employees. The above reservation is subject to the liberty of the Board to fill up the above reserved vacancies by direct recruitment in absence of qualified temple employees.

**V. Procedure:**

At the beginning of every calendar year the Head of the Departments shall report to the Board the anticipated vacancies of III Grade Overseer and Devaswom Guard for the year and the Board shall inform the Head of the Departments the estimated number of vacancies available for appointment under these Rules. The Head of the Departments shall then prepare and forward separate lists of qualified candidates for appointment as III Grade Overseer and Devaswom Guard in each calendar year to the Board for making appointment to the vacancies reserved under these Rules. Thereafter the Board shall approve separate consolidated lists of candidates to be appointed as III Grade Overseer and Devaswom Guard according to strict seniority in service. The appointment to the vacancies reserved for each calendar year shall be filled up from the lists prepared and approved as above. For each calendar year fresh lists as stated above shall be prepared and approved.

**VI. Interpretation:**

If any doubt or dispute arises regarding the interpretation of these Rules in its application to any case, the decision of the Board shall be final.

By order of the Travancore Devaswom Board

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